

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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April 3, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION VALLEYVIEW LANE SOUTHEAST OF ENTERTAINMENT DRIVE - VALENCIA SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the vacation of Valleyview Lane southeast of Entertainment Drive, pursuant to the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation, is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Sections 15304, 15305, and 15321 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (the State CEQA Guidelines).

2. Find that:

a. Pursuant to Section 8333(b) of the California Streets and Highways Code, the date of the easement dedication is less than five years, and more than one year, immediately preceding the proposed vacation, and the easement was not used continuously since that date.

- b. Pursuant to Section 8334(a) of the California Streets and Highways Code, Valleyview Lane southeast of Entertainment Drive is excess and not required for street or highway purposes.
- c. As required by Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the street is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility.
- 3. Adopt the enclosed Resolution of Summary Vacation, Valleyview Lane southeast of Entertainment Drive, to vacate the easement described in Exhibit A and depicted in Exhibit B of the Resolution.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Sikand Engineering, on behalf of The Newhall Land and Farming Company (NLF), the underlying fee owner, requested this vacation to remove from the record County interest and public easement rights within the proposed vacation area. NLF has recently revised their development plan, which provides for reconfiguration of lots in the area eliminating the need for Valleyview Lane. Valleyview Lane and the adjacent parcels are unimproved. Vacation of the easement will provide additional buildable area.

The vacation of the street will have no impact on traffic circulation and will not cut off access to adjacent properties or negatively impact the surrounding properties. No existing utility easements will be affected by the proposed vacation.

It is in the County's best interest to vacate the right of way since it no longer serves the purpose for which it was dedicated and is not required for general public access, circulation, or as a nonmotorized transportation facility.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as the vacation of the easement will result in added revenue through property taxes.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Vacation of the easement will not have a negative fiscal impact on the County's budget. The applicant has paid a \$1,500 fee to defray the expense of the investigation. The fee is authorized by your Board in a Resolution adopted May 4, 1982, Synopsis 62 (Fee Schedule), and as prescribed in Section 8321 (d) of the California Streets & Highways Code.

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FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The area to be vacated contains approximately 23,936 square feet and is shown on the map attached to the Resolution.

The Streets and Highways Code Section 8333 provides "The legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate a public service easement in any of the following cases: (b) the date of dedication or acquisition is less than five years, and more than one year, immediately preceding the proposed vacation, and the easement was not used continuously since that date."

The Streets and Highways Code Section 8334 provides "The legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate any of the following: (a) An excess right-of-way of a street or highway not required for street or highway purposes."

The County's interest was acquired by dedication in Parcel Map No. 18654, recorded on April 7, 2005, in Book 330, pages 45 through 53, inclusive, of Parcel Maps, on file in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles as an easement for public street purposes.

Adoption of the enclosed Resolution will terminate the County's right and interest in the easement. Your action will also result in the property being unencumbered of the easement, thereby allowing the underlying fee owner to exercise its reversionary rights over the vacated area.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Based on the foregoing, this proposed vacation is categorically exempt from CEQA as specified in Sections 15304, 15305, and 15321 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES OR PROJECTS

The Fire Department has determined that the proposed vacation will not affect their ability to respond to fire and medical emergencies and that no fire protection facilities will be affected by the proposed vacation. The Regional Planning Commission has determined that the proposed vacation is not in conflict with the County-adopted General Plan. The Departments of Parks and Recreation and Regional Planning have determined that the vacation areas are not suitable for bicycle paths and trails.

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CONCLUSION

This action is in the County's best interest. Enclosed are two originals of the Resolution of Summary Vacation, approved as to form by County Counsel. Upon adoption of the Resolution, please return one executed original and a copy to us for further processing. We will record the Resolution and return the executed original to you when recorded. In the interim, please retain one executed original for your files.

One adopted copy of this letter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE

Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Officer

County Counsel

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RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION
VALLEYVIEW LANE SOUTHEAST OF ENTERTAINMENT DRIVE
M0688103

RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION

VALLEYVIEW LANE SOUTHEAST OF ENTERTAINMENT DRIVE

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The County of Los Angeles is the holder of an easement for public street purposes (hereinafter referred to as the Easement) in, over, and across the real properties legally described in Exhibit A, and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto. The Easement, southeast of Entertainment Drive, is generally located in the vicinity of Valencia in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
- 2. The date of the Easement dedication is less than five years and more than one year, immediately preceding the proposed vacation, and the Easement was not used continuously since that date.
- 3. The Easement is excess right of way and not required for street or highway purposes.
- 4. There are no in-place public utility facilities that are in use and would be affected by the vacation of the Easement.
- 5. The Easement is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility as defined in Section 887 of the Streets and Highways Code.
- 6. The Easement is hereby vacated pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3, Division 9 of the Streets and Highways Code, State of California, commencing with Section 8330.
- 7. Public Works be authorized to record the certified original Resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, at which time the Easement shall no longer constitute a public service easement.
- 8. From and after the date this Resolution is recorded, the Easement no longer constitutes a street, highway, or public service easement.

___ day of APRIL The foregoing Resolution was on the 2007, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR. **County Counsel**

SACHI A. HAMAI Executive Officer of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles

EXHIBIT A

VALLEYVIEW LANE SOUTHEAST OF ENTERTAINMENT DRIVE

A.I.N. 2826-163 T.G. 4550-C2 I.M. 264-097 R.D. 556 S.D. 5 M0688103

<u>LEGAL DESCRIPTION</u> (Vacation of Easement)

All that portion of VALLEYVIEW LANE, 66 feet wide and variable width, as shown on and dedicated to the public use by Parcel Map No. 18654, filed in Book 330, pages 45 to 53, inclusive, of Parcel Maps, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles.

Total Area: 23,936+ square feet

APPROVED AS TO DESCRIPTION

March 27 , 2007

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By THE SUPERVISING CADASTRAL ENGINEER III
Mapping & Property Management Division

This real property description has been prepared in conformance with the Professional Land Surveyors Act. The signatory herein is exempt pursuant to Section 8726 of the California Business and Professions Code.

NS:psr P5:\ld VALLEYVIEW LANE

